

Council President Bloom called the regular meeting of the Mine Hill Township Council to order at 7:30 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE

Mr. Bloom announced that adequate notice for this meeting had been given as required by law.

ROLL CALL: Present – Mr. Bloom; Mr. Coranato; Ms. Kanzenbach; Mr. Pepperman; Mr. Willis
Absent –
Also Present – Mr. Morris, Mayor; Mr. Oostdyk, Township Attorney; Ms. Macchia,
Township Clerk
Public Present – Approximately 5

PRESENTATION

A presentation was made by a representative from Public Stuff. Public Stuff creates web-based portals for residents to report problems and track progress of projects.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

Mr. Bloom noted the following items of correspondence:

- a. Health Department Monthly Report
- b. Various Resolutions of Support for Assembly Bill A-193
- c. Allenwood Property Depletion Report

CONSIDERATION & APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Bills List

Following brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Coranato and seconded by Mr. Pepperman to approve the bills list with the removal of purchase order 15282. Seeing no discussion, the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Coranato; Ms. Kanzenbach; Mr. Pepperman; Mr. Willis; Mr. Bloom
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstentions: none

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Mr. Morris provided brief updates on several topics:

- DPW has a new shed installed and ready for use, and a new street sweeper ready for spring
- Quotes are being obtained for repairs to the tennis court, and grants will be applied for to cover costs
- The E-Civis “grant finding” program is being explored
- Preparations for dealing with additional snowfall are underway
- The Dolores Walking Path project will begin shortly

REPORTS OF COUNCIL LIAISONS

Recreation Committee

It was noted that basketball is underway.

Board of Education

It was reported that the Board of Education Reorganization Meeting was held last week.

Fire & First Aid

No report.

Police

No report.

Open Space Committee

It was reported that there would be a Raritan River Cleanup Day held on April 26th.

Community Committee

No report.

Planning Board

It was noted that the Planning Board reorganized last week. Gary Frank was appointed as chairman, and Larry Wiener was selected as the new Board Attorney.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Sandy Seibert of Maple Avenue asked if the school’s water meter had been installed. Mr. Morris responded and discussion followed. Ms. Seibert also noted being against the cost associated with use of Public Staff.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance 02-14 Amendment to Food Handlers License Fees

A motion was made by Mr. Coranato and seconded by Ms. Kanzenbach to introduce the ordinance. Seeing no discussion, the roll was called and the ordinance was introduced by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Coranato; Ms. Kanzenbach; Mr. Pepperman; Mr. Willis; Mr. Bloom

Nays: none

Absent: none

Abstentions: none

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mine Hill, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, that Section 8.36.020, “Licensing of Retail Food Establishments”, shall be amended by the following amendment to Subsection B which shall read, in its entirety, as follows:

B. License Fees. Fees for license of retail food establishments are as follows:

Annual License Fee:

Prepackaged goods	\$50.00 annually
Temporary food and drink, non-seating & mobile	\$75.00 annually
Restaurants, seating capacity	
0-25 seats	\$150.00 annually
26-100 seats	\$200.00 annually
Over 100 seats	\$250.00 annually
Supermarket (more than 2,500 s.f.)	\$300.00 annually

Re-inspection of premises:

First re-inspection	½ of annual license fee
Second and subsequent re-inspection	full annual license fee

Plan review fee : \$100.00

*The fee for any food license shall be waived for any non-profit organization providing evidence of a federal tax exemption.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances of the Township of Mine Hill which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect as required by law.

Ordinance 03-14 Establishing the Position of Zoning and Housing Enforcement Officer

A motion was made by Ms. Kanzenbach and seconded by Mr. Willis to introduce the ordinance. Seeing no discussion, the roll was called and the ordinance was introduced by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Coranato; Ms. Kanzenbach; Mr. Pepperman; Mr. Willis; Mr. Bloom

Nays: none

Absent: none

Abstentions: none

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mine Hill, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, that Section 2.76.030, “Construction Official and Subcode Officials”, shall be amended by the inclusion of new subsection D. which shall read, in its entirety, as follows:

D. Code Enforcement and Housing Officer.

There shall be a Code Enforcement and Housing Officer who shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council for a term of one year commencing January 1. The Code Enforcement and Housing Officer shall be responsible for the enforcement of Municipal Ordinances as well as housing inspections and Certificate of Habitability Inspections together with such other duties as may be assigned by the Mayor or Department Head.

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SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect as required by law.

Ordinance 04-14 Amendment to Salary Ordinance

A motion was made by Ms. Kanzenbach and seconded by Mr. Willis to introduce the ordinance. Seeing no discussion, the roll was called and the ordinance was introduced by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Coranato; Ms. Kanzenbach; Mr. Pepperman; Mr. Willis; Mr. Bloom

Nays: none

Absent: none

Abstentions: none

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINE HILL, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ordinance No. 09-13 Fixing the Salary and Wage Ranges of Certain Officials and Employees is hereby amended in the following particulars only:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Salary Range</u>
Zoning and Housing Enforcement Officer	\$5,000 - \$15,000

Section 2. All ranges of salaries or compensation herein above fixed shall be effective January 1, 2014. When an hourly rate is stated, payment shall be made on the basis of properly approved time sheets. All salaries shall be payable bi-weekly except for Council members, the Emergency Management Coordinator and the Elevator Subcode Official, who shall be paid quarterly.

Section 3. All Ordinances inconsistent with the Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect 20 days after final passage and approval by the Mayor and upon publication in the manner provided by law.

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

A motion was made by Ms. Kanzenbach and seconded by Mr. Pepperman to approve the consent agenda. The roll was called and the consent agenda was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Coranato; Ms. Kanzenbach; Mr. Pepperman; Mr. Willis; Mr. Bloom

Nays: none

Absent: none

Abstentions: none

Resolution 020-14 Redemption of a Third Party Tax Lien – Block 1802, Lot 1, C0908

WHEREAS, Tax Sale Certificate #2013-028, was sold to US Bank Cust for BV001 Trust on October 24, 2013 on Block 1802, Lot 1, C0908 known as 400-64 E Randolph Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the amount required to redeem was received by the Tax Collector on the aforementioned property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE Township Council of the Township of Mine Hill in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, that the Treasurer shall refund \$3,848.16 to US Bank Cust for BV001 Trust. This amount includes the redemption amount of \$2,048.16 and the return of the premium paid at the time of sale in the amount of \$1,800.00

Total \$3,848.16

US Bank Cust for BV001 Trust
50th S 16th St., Ste. 1950
Philadelphia, PA 19102-2513

Resolution 021-14 Redemption of a Tax Title Lien – Block 401, Lot 10.01

WHEREAS, there was a duplicate payment made in the 4TH quarter of 2013 on this parcel due to a refinancing; and

WHEREAS, The Tax Collector has confirmed the overpayment and a request for refund has been received from the Mortgage Company that made the duplicate payment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mine Hill Township Council, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, that the Treasurer shall refund \$2,221.76 to Mr. Anthony Campo, 38 Wharton Avenue, Mine Hill, NJ 07803-2306, as requested by the Mortgage lender.

Total amount of refund \$2,221.76

Mr. Anthony Campo
38 Wharton Avenue
Mine Hill, NJ 07803-2306

NON-CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 022-14 Supporting Assembly Bill A-2495

A motion was made by Mr. Coranato and seconded by Ms. Kanzenbach to approve the resolution. The roll was called, and the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Coranato; Ms. Kanzenbach; Mr. Pepperman; Mr. Willis; Mr. Bloom

Nays: none

Absent: none

Abstentions: none

WHEREAS, government employees, appointees, elected officials, or officers in some jurisdictions are currently able to receive reimbursement for accrued unused sick leave upon retirement up to a maximum of \$15,000.00; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no uniformity of accountability for utilization of sick leave by government employees, appointees, elected officials, or officers in some jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Mine Hill has a long standing policy not to reimburse employees, appointees, elected officials, or officers for unexpended sick leave, and to require proof of medical necessity for extended use of sick leave; and supports the establishment of these practices throughout the State of New Jersey;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mine Hill, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the Township Council is on record supporting Assembly Bill A-2495, which addresses the above issues by eliminating the practice of paying for any new accrued, unexpended sick leave by certain government employees, appointees, elected officials, or officers; requires proof of medical necessity for more than six consecutive sick days for the aforesaid individuals; and eliminates payment of accrued unexpended sick leave to the aforesaid individuals indicated for certain statutory offenses; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be distributed to all of Mine Hill Township's local State representatives; to the sponsors of the aforesaid bill; to the Chairman of the Assembly State Government Committee; to the Honorable Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney; to the Honorable Speaker of the Assembly Sheila Y. Oliver; and to the Honorable Governor of the State of New Jersey Christopher J. Christie.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Morris provided a brief overview to the new approach to zoning enforcement. Mr. Morris also noted that he has been working with Maser Consulting to formulate a plan for the Gillen Street sewer.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

John Paschal of Thomastown Road asked for further explanation of the ordinance regarding the zoning officer. Mr. Morris provided further details.

Mr. Morris noted that the Council will be attending an upcoming Dover Board of Education meeting to recognize Dover for attaining Blue Ribbon status.

MINUTES OF THE MINE HILL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – January 16, 2014

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Pepperman and seconded by Ms. Kanzenbach to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 PM. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda G. Macchia, RMC
Mine Hill Municipal Clerk

Approved on this _____ day of _____, 20____

Council President